

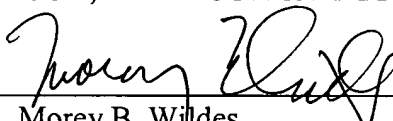
**REMARKS**

This application is a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International Application No. PCT/IL2003/000225. By virtue of this amendment, changes have been submitted in order to conform the application to proper U.S. Patent and Trademark Office practice.

Claims 1-31 are pending in this application. Claims 2, 9, 11-15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28 and 30 have been amended to cancel multiple dependencies or to specifically recite the formula referred to in the claims. Claims 3, 4, 10, 16, 24, 25 and 29 have been canceled. As a result of claim amendments and cancellations herein, claims 1, 2, 5-9, 11-15, 17-23, 26-28, 30 and 31 will be pending in this application. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added by virtue of these amendments.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims presented are patentable. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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